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WHITESTOWN HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION Regular Meeting (Rescheduled) Tuesday, September 19, 2017 6:00 PM Whitestown Municipal Complex— Public Hall

Whitestown Municipal Complex– Public Hal 6210 Veterans Drive Whitestown, Indiana

MINUTES

1. OPENING THE MEETING

- A. Call to Order at 6:04pm
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Roll Call
 - Kisha Rollins, President absent
 - Andy Markle, Vice President present
 - Raji Muthukrishnan present
 - James Tomlinson present
 - Monika Mala present
 (Plus three members of the public interested in sponsoring & volunteering)
- D. Approve Minutes from August 8, 2017 meeting Raji motions to adopt the minutes from the last meeting. James seconds. Vote 3 0

2. OLD BUSINESS

A. Discuss planning for 'Festival of Lights Celebration' on October 21st
Attendance: almost sold out through Eventbrite. Right now, at 405 confirmed attendees. Dance lessons sold out at 51 people for Bollywood dance lessons in gym at 7pm & 8pm. Dance performances: eight, 5-minute long performances will take place in Public Hall. Food: served 6:30pm until food sold out. Raji plans to provide free Chai tea. Cultural activities: Henna Tattoos, Photo Booth (local photographer will take pictures – Kisha setting up) Name Art (names written in several different languages - paper and pens will have to be purchased) Food:

Dhaba Indy will bring pre-boxed meals plus children's menu options – we can help decide the menu. Board members will ask clothing/jewelry vendors to attend as well and set up booths. Cultural performances: song, instrument, cultural dance scheduled from 7-8:30pm. Will need chairs only set up in Public Hall. Chairs, tables, event tables, looping music and video on screen and speakers needed in gym. Main event sponsor will reach out to more restaurants. Once confirmed, Andy will put menus, prices & food tickets for sale on Eventbrite on HRC Facebook page. Volunteers needed at the door to scan Eventbrite tickets. Will use 'Sign Me Up' to sign up volunteers for different slots. Will hold a separate volunteer meeting at Sept. 26th at 6pm. Will come up with purchase list then. (Tanya will reserve Conference Room for 9/26 at 6pm). Can a local youth groups sell water/drinks as a fundraiser for their group? Tanya can reach out to boy scouts, boys and girls club, PTO groups, etc. to see. Main event sponsor is Whitestown Realtor Vishnu Koneru with Remax Ability Plus, making \$500 donation to be title sponsor. Monika will work on event schedule.

- B. Reminder: November is National Native American Heritage Month (no event; social media posts only in recognition)
- C. Discuss Pride Fashion Show; date? (must take plans before Town Council soon) Indy Pride hasn't yet set their dates, so Andy moves to table. Raji seconds. Passes 3-0 to table.

3. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Discuss National Hispanic Heritage Month. No event. Will do Facebook posts only in recognition.
- 4. ADJOURN meeting adjourned at 7pm.

The next regular Whitestown Human Relations Commission meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday**, **October 10**, **2017** at 6:00 PM in the conference room at the Whitestown Municipal Complex.

Kisha Rollins, Board President

Andy Markle, Board Vice President

Raji Muthukrishnan, Member

James Tomlinson, Member

Monika Mala, Member

ATTEST:

Tanya Sumner, Director of Public Relations

Town of Whitestown, Indiana